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Petition

IN THE UNITED STATES
PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANTS : L. NELSON EXAMINER : S. CRONIN
SERIAL NO. : 09/894,432 GROUP ART UNIT : 3727
DATE FILED : 06/26/2001
INVENTION : "STORAGE DEVICE"

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Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313

ATTENTION: Ms. Trudy Mitchell

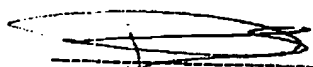
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Dear Ms. Mitchell:

Pursuant to our recent exchange of telephone messages, I am transmitting herewith a copy of the previously-submitted petition and amendment copy in the above-captioned case, with the original Certificate of Mailing dated 31 October 2002. My records reflect that the petition was submitted via telefax in early October of this year.

I hope that this is helpful, and appreciate your consideration in this case. If there is anything else I can do to expedite issuance of the case, please do not hesitate to call.

Respectfully submitted,



Patrick N. Burkhardt
Reg. No. 33,352

I hereby certify that this paper or fee is being transmitted via telefax to Trudy Mitchell of the USPTO, TC 3700, at (703) 872-9301, on this 9th day of December, 2003.

Name of person transmitting paper or fee: Patrick Burkhardt

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